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In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as indicated below.

- 1. (Currently Amended) A communications device comprising a <u>RF</u> [[rf]] circuit and an antenna connected by a self supporting member having at least one feed pillar and a shorting pillar providing support, the pillars being substantially permanently connected to respective contact points of the <u>RF</u> [[rf]] circuit and extending from the <u>RF</u> [[rf]] circuit to an antenna interface of the self supporting member, the antenna connected to the antenna interface by a pressure connection.
- 2. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the antenna comprises a dual band, dual feed antenna, characterised in that the self supporting member has two feed pillars disposed one on either side of the shorting pillar.
- 3. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, characterised in that the self supporting member is metallic.
- 4. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, characterised in that the self supporting member comprises a metallised insulating material.
- 5. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, characterised in that the self supporting member comprises a metallised insulating material having at least one embedded capacitor.
- 6. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1 characterised in that the antenna is a PIFA.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A<u>RF</u> [[rf]] module comprising a supporting member having <u>RF</u> [[rf]] circuit components thereon and a connector to connect an <u>RF</u> [[rf]] output to an antenna, the connector comprising an electrically conductive, self supporting member having at least one feed pillar and a shorting pillar providing support, the pillars

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being substantially permanently connected to respective contact points of the <u>RF</u> [[rf]] circuit components and extending from the contact points to an antenna interface of the self supporting member, the antenna interface adapted for coupling to the antenna by a pressure connection.

- 8. (Previously Presented) A module as claimed in claim 7, wherein the antenna comprises a dual band, dual feed antenna, characterised in that the self supporting member has two feed pillars disposed one on either side of the shorting pillar.
- 9. (Previously Presented) A module as claimed in claim 7, characterised in that the self supporting member is metallic.
- 10. (Previously Presented) A module as claimed in claim 7, characterised in that the self supporting member comprises a metallised insulating material.
- 11. (Previously Presented) A module as claimed in claim 7, characterised in that the self supporting member comprises a metallised insulating material having at least one embedded capacitor.
- 12. (Currently Amended) An antenna comprising a signal propagating and/or receiving element having at least one \underline{RF} [[rf]] feed termination and a shorting termination, and an electrically conductive, self supporting member having an antenna interface and at least one feed pillar and a shorting pillar extending from the antenna interface, the pillars adapted to be substantially permanently connected to respective contact points of an \underline{RF} [[rf]] circuit, and the antenna interface providing a pressure connection with the at least one \underline{RF} [[rf]] feed termination and the shorting termination.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the antenna is further supported by mounting posts disposed between the antenna and the <u>RF</u> [[rf]] circuit around the antenna periphery.

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- 14. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a housing and wherein the antenna is supported by the housing.
- 15. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the antenna includes a plurality of spring contacts to form the pressure connection with the antenna interface.
- 16. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the antenna interface is located to minimize differential mode currents.
- 17. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the antenna interface is located to minimize differential mode currents.
- 18. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in claim 17, wherein an area between the at least one feed pillar and the shorting pillar contains part of a bandwidth broadening resonant circuit, a remaining portion of the bandwidth broadening resonant circuit residing on a circuit board that contains the RF [[rf]] circuit.
- 19. (Previously Presented) An antenna as claimed in claim 12, wherein the antenna includes at least one spring contact to form the pressure connection with the antenna interface.
- 20. (Previously Presented) An antenna as claimed in claim 19, wherein the pressure connection is located to minimize differential mode currents.
- 21. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein an area between the at least one feed pillar and the shorting pillar is adapted to accommodate at least part of a bandwidth broadening resonant circuit.